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AMENDMENT AND RESPNSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 12/26/2007, herein referred to as The Office Action, applicant respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as set forth below and that the following remarks be considered.